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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP ART UNIT 1645

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

James E. Hildreth

Art Unit:

1645

Application No.:

09/761,209

Examiner:

A. Navarro

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Title:

METHOD OF USING MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES AGAINST

LEUKOCYTE ADHESION RECEPTOR β-CHAIN

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed October 22, 2002 (Paper No. 9), entry of the amendments and reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on this date, February 20, 2003, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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AMENDMENTS

Please cancel claim 10 without prejudice.

Please add the following new claim:

+24. A method of ameliorating acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS), an antoimmune disease, or graft rejection in an animal, comprising: administering to the animal a therapeutically effective amount of an antibody, capable of suppressing intercellular leukocyte adhesion, wherein the antibody binds to an epitope on the leukocyte adhesion receptor β -chain, thereby ameliorating acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS), an autoimmune disease, or graft rejection in the animal.

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